

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2479 - SB 2480

February 7, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases the penalty from a Class C misdemeanor to a Class B misdemeanor for HOV lane violations and allows the collection of court costs for such violations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues - \$113,410

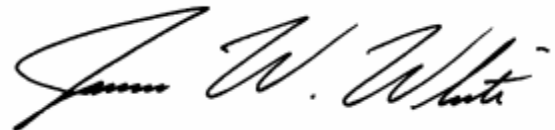
Increase Local Govt. Revenues - \$53,255

Assumptions:

- Approximately 813 annual violations.
- The State will receive fines, and the clerks will receive commission on such fines in accordance with TCA 55-10-303.
- Current penalty for a violation is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$50 and court costs not to exceed \$10. Under the provisions of this bill, a violation is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250 and court costs.
- An average fine increase of \$205 per violation including court costs.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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